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This Information Disclosure Statement is filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. The contents of this statement follow the outline of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a). By this Information Disclosure Statement, applicants wish to bring the following documents to the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Foreign Patents

	<u>Patent Office</u>	<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
AL.	EPO	0 490 624	June 17, 1992
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Other Documents

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All of the above references were cited in a European Search Report of the counterpart European Patent Application. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed.

With respect to references identified as AL and AR above, each reference was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. With respect to the references identified as AM and AQ above, each of these references was cited in the parent of the above-identified application, i.e., U.S. application No. 942,729, now U.S. patent No. 5,887,193, and should have already been considered by the Examiner in this application (see, MPEP § 609). A copy of the face page of the patent is enclosed

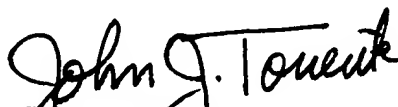
Copies of these references are also enclosed. Additionally, enclosed in duplicate, is an accompanying form equivalent to PTO-1449, listing the art cited by applicants. The Examiner is respectfully requested to mark on one copy of the enclosed form that the Examiner has reviewed the listed documents and return the marked copy to applicants' undersigned attorneys at the below listed address.

Also enclosed is a Petition and the requisite fee requesting consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement. Please charge any other fees for entry of this Statement to our Deposit Account 18-1644.

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